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Dear Commissioners: (Re: MM Docket 75-25)

Broadcast radio ownership is becoming more and more consolidated resulting in less and less diversity of programming and opinion. Also, "payola" has, once again, raised its ugly head.

To afford the public access to "their" air waves I strongly support the LPFM proposal.

I suggest that distance between LPFM broadcasters and full power FM stations (antenna to antenna) be a factor in determining whether 2nd and 3rd adjacent channel protection would be required in each specific case. (The closer in physical distance, the greater the need for frequency separation.)

I believe that 1,000 watt stations should, indeed, be required to follow most existing broadcast station rules.

However, the LP-100 and 1-10 watt micro stations can be primarily self-regulating if a sufficient degree of technical understanding is demonstrated

by the control operators of such stations. To this end, I suggest that Extra Class amateur radio license holders, for instance, would be "safe" as control operators of such stations.

I believe that no person or organization should be allowed to operate more than ONE LPFM station, that no affiliation with a full power station should be permitted, and that BOTH noncommercial and commercial LPFM stations should be allowed. This is a new (to this era) kind of broadcasting which, I believe, requires a period of experimentation to sort itself out.

To be fair, I strongly suggest a LONG window of opportunity for the filing of applications be provided. Also, an exclusively electronic filing system would be wrong, I believe - perhaps even unconstitutional, and certainly problematic.

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I suggest that preference be given to those who can demonstrate technical proficiency in radio broadcasting. This will greatly decrease the need for FCC oversight (read: work, time, and money) later on.

I believe that there should be NO fees, "bids", auctions, etc. for LPFM licenses, especially of the LP-100 and micro variety. Let's really open it up!

Thanks for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,
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P.S. Low power AM and short-wave ("tropical" band) licenses would present another exciting prospect!